GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2722
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CULTIVATION OF VEGETABLES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) The total area covered under cultivation of vegetables and the areas of more land proposed to be brought under cultivation of vegetables, State-wise ; and

(b) The steps taken/proposed to be taken to increase vegetables production in the country particularly in Gujarat.

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a) : The area covered under vegetable cultivation in the country is 6.76 million ha during 2004-05. The State-wise area under vegetables cultivation is given at Annexure. No estimates have been made to bring more areas of land under vegetable cultivation in different States.

(b) : Under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of `National Horticulture Mission (NHM)` being implemented since 2005-06, assistance is being extended to undertake various activities for increasing production and productivity of horticultural crops including vegetables. The Scheme is being implemented in 18 States including Gujarat. The programme for increasing production of vegetables include production and supply of improved seeds and setting up of seed infrastructure. Other activities includes adoption of integrated nutrient management, integrated pest management, besides promotion of organic farming. During 2005-06, an amount of Rs. 1.00 crore was provided to the State Horticulture Mission (SHM) of Gujarat for taking up vegetable seed production in 300 ha.

Annexure

Annexure referred in reply to Part - (a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2722 to be answered on 11.12.2006 Statement showing statewise area under vegetable cultivation duirng 2004-05

(Area in 000` ha)

	STATE/UTs	TOTAL
1	ANDAMAN NICOBAR	7.1
2	ANDHRA PRADESH	258.4
3	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	20.4
4	ASSAM	194.5
5	BIHAR	816.6
6	CHANDIGARH	0.1
7	CHHATISHGARH	125.1
8	DADAR & NAGAR HAVELI	1.5
9	DAMAN & DIU	0.1
10	DELHI	43.7
11	GOA	7.8
12	GUJARAT	331.5
13	HARYANA	207.8
14	HIMACHAL PRADESH	59.1
15	JAMMU & KASHMIR	52.1
16	JHARKHAND	223.6
17	KARNATAKA	367.2
18	KER A LA-	107.6
19	LAKSHDWEEP	0.2
20	MADHYA PRADESH	184.4
21	MAHARASHTRA -	372.2
22	MANIPUR	13.4
23	MEGHALAYA	32.7
24	MIZORAM	5.7
25	NAGALAND	11.9
26	ORRISA -	655.9
27	PONDICHERRY	4.5

28 PUN JAB- 158.6
29 RAJASTHAN 124.1
30 SIKKIM 17.0
31 TAMIL NADU 215.3
32 TRIPURA - 32.7
33 UTTAR PRADESH 840.9
34 UTTRANCHAL 72.8
35 WEST BENGAL 1189.0
TOTAL 6755.6